

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2 and 4-43 are pending in the present application. Claim 3 is canceled without prejudice. Claims 1, 41, and 42 have been amended. Support for the amendments to claims 1 and 41 is found from original claim 3 and throughout the specification (for example, please see Figure 3). Entry of the amendments and favorable consideration are requested.

Election/Restriction

The Examiner deemed Applicants' arguments against the Restriction Requirement not to be persuasive and made the requirement final based on the conclusion that the device shown in Figure 3 is not a funnel. Applicants respectfully disagree.

Applicants note that element 135 of Figure 3 is referred to in the specification (see page 9, near the center of the page) as a "clasping funnel" consistent with the common usage of the term "funnel" as "a metal chimney on a ship or an engine, through which smoke comes out," according to the definition of the term in Oxford Advanced Learner's Dictionary of Current English, a copy of which is enclosed as Exhibit A. Therefore, contrary to the Examiner's assertion, Figure 3 contains a funnel. As such, Applicants respectfully request that claims referring to a funnel be examined with the rest of the pending claims.

If any questions arise, the Examiner is invited to phone the undersigned at the below listed number.

Respectfully submitted,

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Exhibit A

pose for a person or its bodily functions (often *of*) 1 *The function of the body* 2 *This is fundamental to his health*, it involves a lot of [C] mathematics with varying values as a function of age and experience, mathematical carries

in structural way [C] hospital continued to function without a large number of the staff, also failed to function as an efficient, effective, and useful, with no hope to be purely functional rather purpose making it happen a functional in organ of the body

functional approach to see a key functional daily of a machine, able to work easily [AmE] function [C] the idea or above the style, or it's going to be used, last [AmE] noun

function [C] noun 1 [U] the quality the purpose it was the purpose that the manufacturing function of the product, functions that a

function [C] noun 2 [U] the quality of the body, state duties party, state, not called a function, observable key one with F and a number, a file or get to the

it has been saved or particular purpose a pension fund, the to [U] money that is used to the hospital is very machine, the lack of funds, if I pay you back next or a supply of something

usually an official, a new [C] The function is done program, the hour, hour, hour, affecting the body

there is a fundamental difference in the quality of health services that is important 2 [to think about how many people have been affected by it] from which every individual can benefit from this a chance

fund [usually pl.] a basic rule or principle; an essential part: the fundamentals of modern physics. He taught me the fundamentals of the job.

fundi-men-tal-ism /'fʌndɪməntlɪzəm/ noun [U] 1 the practice of following very strictly the basic rules and teachings of any religion 2 (in Christianity) the belief that everything that is written in the Bible is completely true ► **fun-di-men-tal-ist** /'fʌst/ noun: Muslim fundamentalists fundi-men-tal-ist /'fʌst/ adj.

fun-di-men-tal-ly /'fʌndɪməntlɪ/ adv 1 in every way that is important; completely: The two approaches are fundamentally different. By the 1960s the situation had unchanged fundamentally. They remained fundamentally opposed to the plan. 2 used when you are introducing a simple and stating sth important about it [SYN] **BASICALLY**: Fundamentally, there are two different approaches to the problem. 3 used when you are saying what is the most important thing about sb/sth [SYN] **BASICALLY**: She is fundamentally a nice person; but she finds it difficult to communicate.

funder /'fʌndə(r)/ noun a person or an organization that provides money for a particular purpose

fund-ing /'fʌndɪŋ/ noun [U] money for a particular purpose; the act of providing money for such a purpose: There have been large cuts in government funding for scientific research.

fund-raiser noun 1 a person who collects money for a charity or an organization. 2 a social event or entertainment held in order to collect money for a charity or an organization ► **fund-raising** noun [U]

funeral /'fjuːnərəl/ noun a ceremony, usually a religious one, for burying or Cremating (= burning) a dead person: Hundreds of people attended the funeral. a funeral procession, a funeral march (= a sad piece of music suitable for funerals) [IDM] It's your funeral (informal) used to tell sb that they, and nobody else, will have to deal with the unpleasant results of their own actions

funeral director noun (formal) = **UNDERTAKER**

funeral parlor (BrE) (AmE) 'funeral parlor' (also **funeral home** AmE, BrE) (AmE **ultra-mor-tu-ary**) noun a place where dead people are prepared for being buried or cremated (= burned) and where visitors can see the body

funer-ary /'fjuːnərəri/ AmE -er-ri/ adj. [only before noun]

(formal) of or used at a funeral: **funerary monuments/ rites**

funer-al /'fjuːnərəl/ AmE -er-əl/ adj. (formal) suitable

for a funeral; sad: **a funeral atmosphere**

fun-fail /'fʌnfæl/ AmE -fæl/ noun [BrE] = **FAIL**

fung-i-al /'fʌngjəl/ adj. or caused by **FUNGUS**: a fungal infection

fungi-cide /'fʌngkjəs/ 'kɔndʒəs/ noun [C, U] a substance

that kills fungus

fungi /'fʌnggi/ noun [pl. fungi] /'fʌnggii/ -gi: /'fʌndʒəs/

1 [C, often pl.] any plant without leaves, flowers or green

colouring, usually growing on other plants or on decaying matter. Mushrooms and mildew are both fungi.

2 [U, C] a covering of mould or a similar fungus, for example on a plant or wall: **fungus infections**

funic-u-lar /'fjuːnɪkjʊlə(r)/ (also **funicular** 'railway)

potato railway on a steep slope, with the carriages being

pulled up and down by a moving cable

funk /fʌŋk/ noun, verb

noun 1 [U] a type of modern dance music with a strong rhythm. 2 (also 'blue funk') [singl] (old-fashioned, informal) a state of fear or anxiety

verb [VN] (BrE, informal) to avoid doing sth because you are afraid to, or find it difficult

funki-ness /'fʌŋkiːnəs/ noun [U] (informal) a sense of fun, especially the kind of fun that comes from dancing to funk music

funki-est /'fʌŋkiːst/ adj. (informal) 1 (of

music) with a strong rhythm that is easy to dance to: Funky disco beat 2 (approving, especially AmE) fashionable and unusual: She wears really funky clothes

fun-loving adj. (of people) liking to enjoy themselves

fun-nel /'fʌnl/ noun, verb

noun 1 a device that is wide at the top and narrow at the

bottom, used for pouring liquids or powders into a small opening—picture at **LABORATORY** 2 (BrE) (also **smoke-**

stack AmE, BrE) a metal chimney, for example on a ship or an engine, through which smoke, comes out—picture at **BOAT**

verb (-l, -AmE -s-) to move or make sth move through a narrow space, or as if through a funnel: [M] Wind was funneling through the gorge. [V] Huge pipes funnel the water down the mountainside. Barricades funnelled the crowds towards the square. (figurative) Some \$10 million in aid was funnelled into the country through government agencies.

fun-nies /'fʌniːz/ noun (the funnies) [pl.] (AmE, informal) the part of a newspaper where there are several comic strips (a series of drawings that tell a funny story)

fun-nily /'fʌnəli/ adv. in a strange way [IDM] Funny funny enough used to show that you expect people to find a particular fact surprising: Funny enough, I met her only yesterday.

fun-ny /'fʌni/ adj. (funnier, funniest)

AMUSING 1 making you laugh: amusing a funny story

That's the funniest thing I've ever heard. It's not funny! Someone could have been hurt. I was really embarrassed, but then I saw the funny side of it. (ironic) Oh, very funny! You expect me to believe that? What's so funny? she demanded. **HIM** Note that funny does not mean 'enjoyable': The party was great fun. The party was very funny.

fun-ny /'fʌni/ adj. (especially spoken) difficult to explain or understand: A funny thing happened to me today. It's funny, how things never happen the way you expect them to. That's funny—he was here a moment ago and now he's gone. The funny thing is, it never happened again after that. The engine's making a very funny noise. I'm pleased, I didn't get that job, in a funny sort of way.

SUSPICIOUS/ILLEGAL 3 (informal) suspicious, and probably illegal or dishonest: I suspect there may be something funny going on. If there has been any funny business, we'll soon find out.

WITHOUT RESPECT 4 (BrE, especially spoken) humorous in a way that shows a lack of respect for sb [SYN] **CHEEKY**: Don't you get funny with me!

ILL/SICK 5 (informal) slightly ill/sick: I feel a bit funny today—I don't think I'll go to work.

CRAY-ZY 6 (BrE, informal) slightly crazy, not like other people: That Dave's a funny chap, isn't he? She went a bit funny after her husband died.

MACHINE 7 (informal) not working as it should: My computer keeps going funny.

funny bone noun [usually sing.] (informal) the part of the elbow containing a very sensitive nerve that is painful if you hit it against sth.

fun run noun (especially BrE) an event in which people run a long distance for fun, and to collect money for charity

fur /fʊr/ noun 1 [U] the soft, thick mass of hair that grows on the body of some animals 2 [U] the skin of an animal with the fur still on it, used especially for making clothes: a fur coat, the fur trade, a fur farm (= where animals are bred and killed for their fur). The animal is hunted for its fur. 6 **fur-lined gloves** 3 [U] an artificial fur that looks and feels like fur 4 [C] a piece of clothing, especially a coat or jacket, made of real or artificial fur: elegant ladies in fury 5 (BrE) = **SCALE** n. (8) 6 [U] a greyish-white layer that forms on a person's tongue, especially when they are ill—see also **FURRY**

furi-ous /'fʊrɪəs/ AmE /'fʊrɪ-əs/ adj. 1 — (with ab) — (at ab/ab) very angry: She was absolutely furious at having been deceived. 2 He was furious with himself for letting things get so out of control. 2 with great energy, speed or anger: a furious argument/debate. She drove off at a furious pace. See also **FURY** 3 **furi-ous-ly** adv. furiously angry: "Darn!" he said furiously. They worked furiously all weekend trying to get it finished on time. **HIM**, see **PARTHENON**.

furl/fold /'fʊrl/ AmE /'fʊld/ verb [V] to roll and fasten sth such as a sail, a flag or an umbrella.

fur-long /'fʊrlɒŋ/ AmE /'fʊrlɒŋ/ noun (especially in horse

b d f g h k
bad aid fall get hat name car
can see in body only bodies room)

Exhibit A